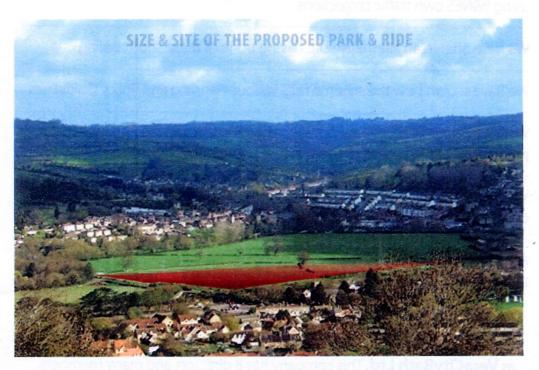


YOUR HELP IS NEEDED

...to save the Bathampton Meadows from being spoiled permanently

If you care about and value the openness of the green water meadows and beautiful landscape setting of our World Heritage City, please read this leaflet.



URGENTLY

A large group of local residents are horrified and angry at B&NES Council's plans to build a Park & Ride on land to the East of Mill Lane north of the Batheaston bypass.

We have been actively opposing these plans for the past few years, arguing the case in various B&NES Committees, lobbying local Councillors and MP's, writing to various national and local bodies and to various ministers and national officials.

We have pointed out that the plans, by B&NES own admission, will NOT reduce congestion or pollution on the London Road.

We have stressed that the site has been **previously rejected** for Park & Ride in a number of **B&NES** and **government studies**.

We have shown that the facility is too small (and can never be expanded) using B&NES own traffic projections.

We have offered an alternative site having none of these shortcomings.

We have shown how the scheme fails various Planning and Policy Guidelines.

We have quoted UNESCO statements regarding the need to enhance the **protection of** the setting of **the World Heritage City.**

We have demonstrated that the planned **Bus Rapid Transit** scheme (also part of the larger scheme) will be **no more rapid than current bus services.**

At every stage, we have been frustrated by the blinkered singlemindedness and hollow arguments of some of B&NES officers and Councillors.

And so now, we are preparing for the final battle.

A strictly not-for-profit Guarantee Company has been incorporated – known as **VeraCityBath Ltd.** This company has 8 directors and many members, each one passionate about the matter, and who **YOU CAN NOW JOIN.**

VCB Ltd is working with local legal advisors and has engaged the London law firm Harrison Grant to act on its behalf. Following their advice VCB Ltd has issued a claim for judicial review against the Secretary of State

VCB Ltd has sent Pre-Action Protocol letters to (and has received replies from) the Secretary of State for Communities and Local Government, and B&NES, declaring its intention to initiate **a Judicial Review into the procedures** used by the Government Office of the South West, and B&NES Council.

A judge has granted VCB Ltd a Protective Cost Order limiting its liability.

But the bar is set extremely high by the cost of Judicial Review. To take a Judicial Review claim through to full trial could cost up to £30,000. If we prevail, of course, these costs will likely be paid by the defendants.

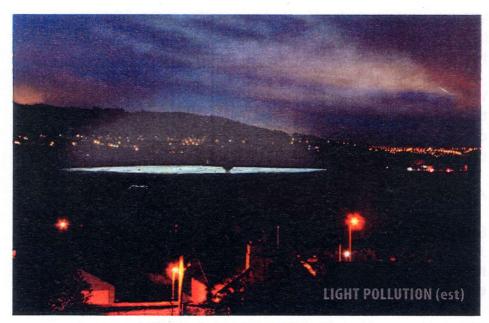
We believe we could raise these amounts with your help. For example, 2,000 contributions of £10, plus a 100 of £100 would get us past the first hurdle!

If you would like to help by making a contribution, you can do so by one of the following means:

- By cheque payable to VeraCityBath Ltd
 Post to: The Treasurer, Holly Cottage, Claverton Village, Bath BA2 7BG
- By credit/debit card via websites at:
- www.savebathamptonmeadows.blogspot.com
- www.vcbath.blogspot.com
- Or contact us at: vcbath@gmail.com

SHOW THIS LEAFLET TO OTHERS AND DISCUSS THESE MATTERS WITH YOUR NEIGHBOURS AND FRIENDS

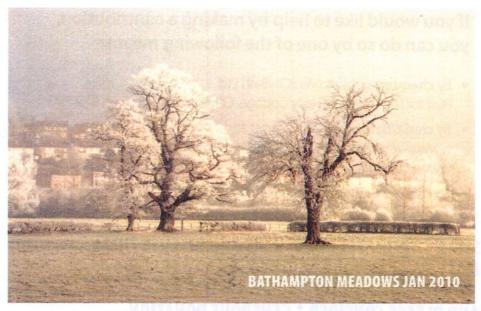
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Thanks for reading this leaflet

...and remember the words of Joni Mitchell

YOU DON'T KNOW WHAT YOU'VE GOT 'TIL IT'S GONE



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